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TAGS: CASC, SN (OETKER, NORMAN)
SUBJECT: W/W

REF: A. STATE 096496 B. STATE 06883
C. SINGAPORE 1105 D. SINGAPORE 1028

1. THE FOLLOWING IS AN ITEMIZED ACCOUNTING OF SCS/TRUST DOLLARS US\$400

(FOUR HUNDRED) FOR NORMAN OETKER SYMBOL 19X 6875, ACCOUNT NO. 820499.

A. RECEIPT FOR CASH SUBVOUCHER DATED MARCH 17, 1978 SHOWS US\$400
CONVERTED TO S\$917.40 AT RATE OF US\$1.00 EQUALS S\$2.2935 - SIGNED
FOR BY NORMAN OETKER ON MARCH 17, 1978.

B. RECORD OF EXPENDITURES:

	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE
3/16/78 TOTAL DEPOSIT		S\$917.40	
3/17/78 PENINSULA HOTEL	S\$470.15		S\$447.25
RECEIPT 0331			
3/17/78 SINGAPORE CHRISTIAN	S\$330.40		S\$116.85
CONFERENCE CENTER			
RECEIPT 0861			
3/17/78 BALANCE GIVEN TO NORMAN OETKER	S\$116.85		0

2. BREAKDOWN OF CHARGES FOR ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS AT SINGAPORE

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CONFERENCE CENTER: TOTAL S\$330.15.

A. ACCOMMODATION: S\$12.00 FOR 14 NIGHTS S\$168.00
FROM MARCH 3, TO MARCH 16

B. MEALS: S\$14.00 FOR TWO PERSONS
FOR 14 DAYS - MEALS FOR CHILD FREE S\$196.00

TOTAL 364.00

FIRST MEAL: DINNER ON MARCH 3
LAST MEAL: LUNCH ON MARCH 17

C. LESS 20 PERCENT DISCOUNT ON ACCOMMODATION
DISCOUNT DOES NOT APPLY TO MEALS S\$ 33.60

D. TOTAL AMOUNT PAID S\$330.40

3. APPARENTLY CONFUSION IS DUE TO SINGAPORE CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE
CENTER QUOTE ON RATE IN SINGAPORE DOLLARS WHICH WAS INTERPRETED BY
EMBASSY TO BE FOR SINGLE PERSON INSTEAD OF ENTIRE FAMILY. SLIDING
US DOLLAR EXCHANGE RATE ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO HIGH ORIGINAL ESTIMATE.
HOWEVER, ACTUAL CHARGES AND EXPENDITURES, WHICH WERE LESS, ARE
CORRECT AND RECEIPTED FOR. ALL TRANSACTIONS ARE COMPLETE AND
BALANCE OF ACCOUNT IS ZERO.

4. IT WAS EXPLAINED TO OETKER AND WIFE, WHEN PRIVACY ACT AUTHORIZATION
WAS SIGNED MARCH 3, THAT FRIENDS OR RELATIVES WHO MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST
WOULD BE CONTACTED BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT WOULD AUTHORIZE REPATRIATION
AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE. SINCE OETKER'S FAMILY PROVIDED FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE, THE USE OF USG FUNDS WAS UNNECESSARY. OETKER WAS NOTIFIED

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CONTENTS OF REFTEL B MARCH 10 AND IT WAS AGAIN BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION
THAT HIS FAMILY HAD PAID FOR PLANE FARE WHEN PASSPORT AMENDMENT RES-
TRICTING TRAVEL FOR DIRECT RETURN TO U.S. WAS VOIDED ON MARCH 17.
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